



Community Based Programs Overview

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MISSION: Support Readiness & Well-Being of Families by Reducing the Conflict between Military Mission Workforce Requirements & Parental Responsibilities



- 1 in 4 Active Army Soldiers use Army CYS Services
- National Guard Children and Army Reserve Children Need Deployment Support Services while Parents are Mobilized
- Army Programs Operated at 115 On-Post Locations & 8 Countries / Territories
- Army Community-Based CYS Programs in 50 States

- Soldiers Lose Duty Time due to Lack of Child Care & “out of school” Youth Misconduct
- Army Child, Youth & School Services Programs relieve Deployment Stress on Families
- The *Army Family Covenant* communicates the Army’s Commitment to provide Soldiers & Families a quality of life commensurate with their Service
- AC Soldiers & spouses use of CYSS Programs is linked to their desire to stay in the Army

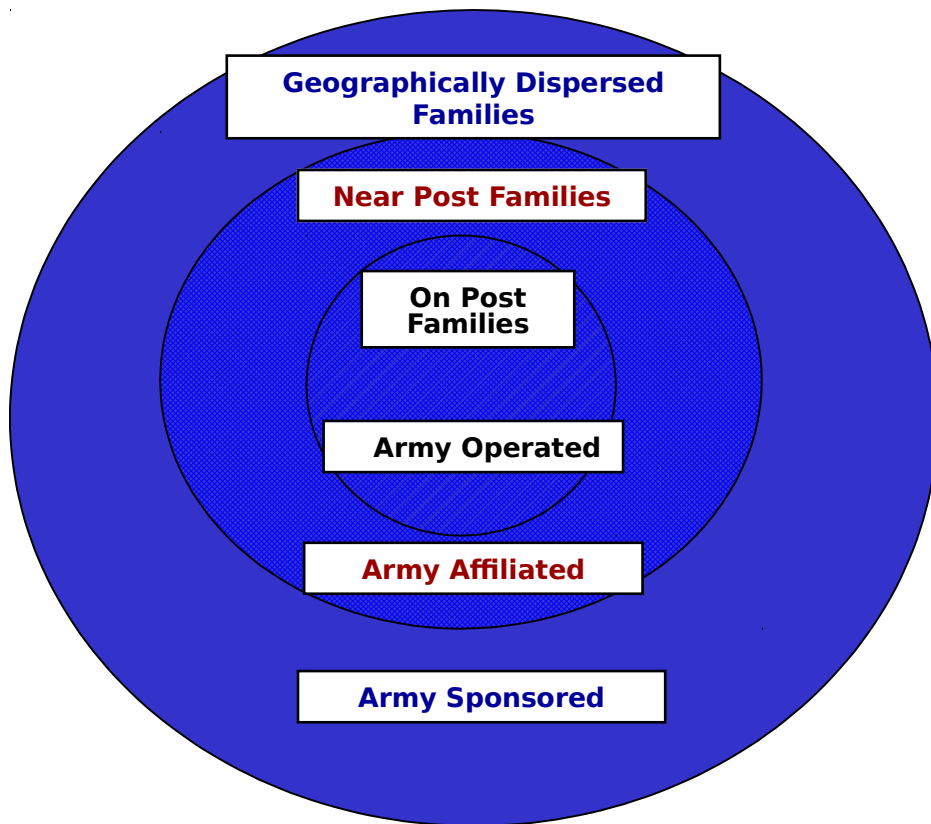
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Army Operated

- Child Development Centers
- Family Child Care Homes
- School Age Centers / Sites
- Youth Centers
- Sports & Fitness Programs
- Boys & Girls Clubs Programs
- 4-H Clubs

Army Affiliated

- Boys & Girls Clubs
- 4-H Clubs
- *Army Child Care in Your Neighborhood Sites*
- *Army School Age Programs in Your Neighborhood Sites*
- *Army Youth Programs in Your Neighborhood Sites*

Army Sponsored

- Army Subsidized Child Care Options in 50 States
- OMK in 44 States & D.C
- Boys & Girls Clubs open to Military Youth in 50 states
- 4-H Clubs open to Military Youth in 50 states
- School Support Services for School



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Operation Military Child Care (OMCC):

- Community based deployment child care spaces/services in support of Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) and Army Recruiters
- Available for Families of mobilized and deployed Reserve Component (National Guard and Reserves) Service members & geographically dispersed Active Component (Army, Navy , Air Force & Marine Corps) Service members
- **OMCC Child Care Spaces:**
 - located in 50 states
 - must be in licensed and annually inspected care settings
 - Fees discounted off local rates, based on Family income, location & DoD/Service fee policies
- **OMCC Child Care Options** (for children 6 weeks – 12 yrs old)
- Eligibility for care & reduced fees limited to:
 - working and student spouses
 - deployment period & 60 days after return of military parent



Army Respite Program

- Army subsidized 16 hours of respite child care for deployed; temporary change of station; TDY (90-179 days); unaccompanied PCS; wounded, ill and injured (5 hours of respite child care per child per month for Army Recruiters)
- Spouse does NOT have to be working, looking for work or in school to qualify
- Eligible child care provider must be state licensed and annually inspected
- Army Respite Program child care option:
 - Not a substitute for regularly scheduled care
 - May be used at the discretion of the parent
 - Cannot be used in conjunction with installation respite to exceed authorized monthly hours
 - Must be used in 2 hour increments
 - Providers reimbursed up to \$10/hour for first child & \$5 for each additional child, not to exceed \$20/hour per family



Operation: Military Kids

Supporting “Suddenly” Military Youth who are experiencing the deployment of a loved one or being reunited with a parent following deployment



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Operation: Military Kids

A collaborative effort with America's communities to support geographically dispersed Families, particularly National Guard and Army Reserve.

Operation: **Military Kids**



... military families in our own backyard

- OMK State Teams operate in 44 States and the District of Columbia
- Networks of people, organizations, and other resources support "military Families in our own backyard"
- Core Program Elements include:
 - ✓ *Ready, Set, Go!* Training for OMK State Teams
 - ✓ Mobile Technology Labs
 - ✓ Family Packs
 - ✓ *Speak Out for Military Kids*

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Speak Out For Military Kids

- **SOMK** is a youth – led, adult supported project that generates community awareness of issues and concerns faced by military children and youth
- **SOMK Initiatives:**
 - ✓ Youth Speakers' Bureau
 - ✓ Public Service Announcements developed by SOMK participants
 - ✓ Video productions of “suddenly” military youth telling their stories

Mobile Technology Labs

- **Mobile Tech Labs include:** laptop computers configured for the internet; digital video camera; scanner; laminator and software packages such as video/photo editing and webpage design
- *Mobile Tech Labs* allow **military kids** to
 - ✓ Communicate with deployed parents
 - ✓ Send special info, e.g., report cards, sports, birthday celebration
 - ✓ Design keepsakes, e.g., scrapbooks for/about parents
- *Mobile Tech Labs* allow **military parents** to
 - ✓ Communicate with children
 - ✓ Tape stories and messages to leave behind for children





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Localized information for each state

- Calendar of Events
- Programs
- *Tell Me Your Story*
- Contacts

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School Support Vision

A Driving Force for Student Success



Interstate Compact on Education Opportunities for Military Children

State Adoption Process

- States are not required to participate
- Interested state lawmakers introduce the Compact as legislative proposal
- The Compact must be adopted by each state as a whole without amendments
- 46 States have adopted the compact

The Compact became effective after adoption by ten states -

Basic Components

- **Applies to children of:**
 - Active duty members (includes active Guard and Reserve)
 - Severely injured members and veterans (for 1 year)
 - Members who die on active duty (for 1 year)
- **Includes specific rules to facilitate:**
 - **Enrollment** – transfer of records, immunization requirements, age and course continuation requirements
 - **Eligibility** – enrollment status when child is under care of non-custodial parents, power of attorney rights, tuition remission rights, rights to participate in extracurricular activities
 - **Placement** – course and educational program placement, placement flexibility, time and attendance flexibility
 - **Graduation** – flexibility on graduation requirements, flexibility on exit exams, facilitation of on time graduation



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STUDY STRONG!

- Live one on one online tutor
- Available 24 / 7
- K-12 & college Intro level
- Link at home or in the CYSS Homework Center/Tech Lab
- Math, Science, English, Social Studies, Advanced subjects (i.e., calculus, physics)
- Spanish-language help available in Math, Science & Social Studies
- Garrison specific pass code distributed through Army One Source
- AFAP Issue #613

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Back Up Slides



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Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood (MCCYN):

- Community child care spaces/services **in support of enduring Mission**
- Available for Active Component (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps) Families & AGR (Active Guard and Reserve full time Service Members) Families who:
 - are geographically dispersed (ROTC instructors, etc)
 - live beyond a reasonable commuting distance of a military base
 - cannot access on-post care due to long waiting lists
- **MCCYN Child Care Spaces** (Care options for children 6 weeks -12 years old)
 - located in 50 states
 - must be in nationally accredited child care settings
 - fees discounted comparable to those paid on-post
 - may include full day after school, weekend and evening duty hours care
- Eligibility for care & reduced fees limited to working & student spouses

MCCYN child care options supplement, not replace Military Operated on base mission child care



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Army Child Care in Your Neighborhood (ACCYN): **Army subsidized child spaces, FCC Homes & Centers in** **communities surrounding highly impacted installations**

- Available for Single Soldiers, Dual Army Families, Working and Student Spouses who:
 - live off-post and need quality, affordable child care options where they reside
 - cannot access on base care due to long waiting lists
 - **ACCYN Child Care Spaces** (Care Options for children 6 weeks – 12 yrs old)
 - targeted in communities where Army Families reside
 - must be in approved centers working with the Army to achieve NAEYC accreditation or in Family Child Care Homes working on NAFCC Accreditation
 - fees discounted to be comparable to those paid on-post
 - may include full day, after school, weekend and evening duty hours care
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Army School Age Programs in Your Neighborhood (ASPYN):

- Army subsidized school age spaces for Active Duty Soldiers, Families & Army Civilians, using designated community based school age programs
- Available for Single Soldiers, Dual Army Families, Working and Student Spouses who:
 - live within the catchment area of an Army garrison
 - cannot access on base care due to long waiting lists
- **ASPYN Child Care Spaces** (Care Options for children 5 years – 12 yrs old)
 - must participate in the Army technical assistance program to become COA accredited
 - fees discounted to be comparable to those paid on-post

ASPYN care options supplement, not replace Army operated on-